

Economic Development Commission

David Steel, Sr., Chairman

Extension Agents

Chester M. Cissel

Diane Councell

James M. Downes

Soil Conservation District

Supervisors

George H. Godfrey, Chairman 1980

Royden N. Powell, Sr.¹⁰⁸

John Murdoch, Treasurer 1978

J. Tilghman Bishop 1977

C. Frank Boyle 1979

Chester M. Cissel, Extension
Agent, Secretary

Clerk, Circuit Court

Dorothy Bailey Kucher 1978

State's Attorney

George R. Sparling, Jr. 1979

Sheriff

Eugene Pellillo, Acting 1978

Register of Wills

Mary Rose Bell 1978

Judges, Orphans' Court

John L. Alvey, Chief Judge 1978

Paul Bell 1978

Floyd A. Raley 1978

District Public Defender

John Slade

ST. MARY'S COUNTY

County Seat: Leonardtown 20650

Area: 420 sq. miles

Origin and Name of the County:

Named in honor of the Virgin Mary. Here the *Ark* and the *Dove* landed on Annunciation Day (March 25). This was the first county erected in Maryland, having been created in 1637 by an order of the Governor.

Population, 1970:

St. Mary's County	47,388
Dist. 1, St. Inigoes	4,219
Dist. 2, Valley Lee	3,494
Dist. 3, Leonardtown	5,811
Dist. 4, Chaptico	2,158
Dist. 5, Mechanicsville	3,285
Dist. 6, Patuxent	5,283
Dist. 7, Milestown	2,976
Dist. 8, Bay	19,837
Dist. 9, St. George Island	325

Estimated Population, 1976: 55,000

Court Terms:

Circuit Court — Jury, third Monday in March and November; non-jury, first Monday in June and December (Repealed by Chapter 566, Acts of 1974).

Orphans' Court Days — Second and fourth Tuesdays in every month.

Courthouse Information Number: 475-9121

JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Resident Judge, Circuit Court

Joseph A. Mattingly 1987

District Court Judge

William O. E. Sterling 1981

Mary M. Gwynn, Administrative
Clerk

M. Doris Jones, Clerk

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Board of County Commissioners

James Manning McKay,
1st Dist., President 1978

J. Patrick Jarboe, 2nd Dist. 1978

Jay Laurence Millison, 3rd Dist. 1978

Ford L. Dean, 4th Dist. 1978

John K. Parlett, 5th Dist. 1978

Judith A. Mullins, Secretary

Joseph E. Bell II, Attorney

*County Administrator*¹⁰⁹

Edward V. Cox

Treasurer

Francis G. Cecil 1979

Director of Finance

B. Harris Sterling

Supervisor of Assessments

William S. Lawrence

Property Tax Assessment

Appeal Board

Clarence Bell, Chairman 1979

J. Alfred Abell 1977

Robert L. Owens 1978

Board of Supervisors of Elections

Paul R. Balta 1977

Ronald Delahay 1977

Eleanor Peabody 1977

Fire Marshal

Charles H. Donaldson

Director of Civil Defense

Otis F. Wood

Deputy Medical Examiner

William D. Boyd, M.D.

Health Officer

William J. Marek, M.D.

Board of Education

William B. Wagoner 1977

James A. Forrest 1978

Norma Dawson 1979

H. Edwin Cole 1980

Eleanor Ritchie 1981

¹⁰⁸ County appointee.

¹⁰⁹ Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners (Ch. 296, Acts of 1971).